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Inventor: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.

Serial No.: 09/678,441

Filed: October 2, 2000

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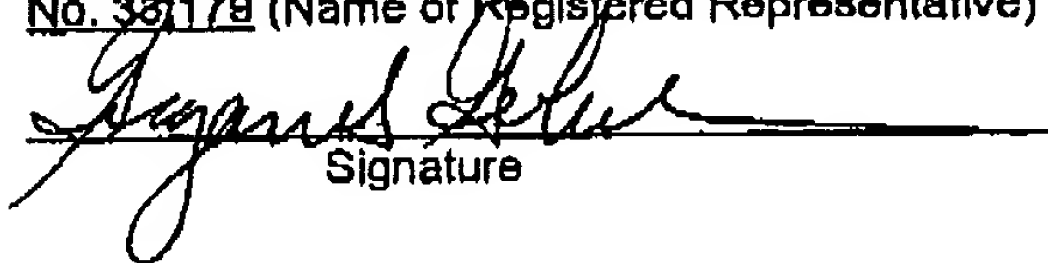
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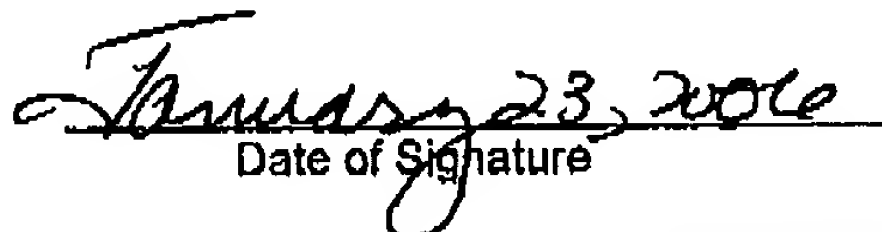
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PATENT

Docket No. PD-200020

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Date: January 23, 2006

Robert G. Arsenault, et al.

Serial No.: 09/678,441

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Examiner: Annan Q. Shang

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (37 C.F.R. § 1.191)**

Mail Stop AF
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner

mailed July 21, 2005, finally rejecting claims 45 - 60.

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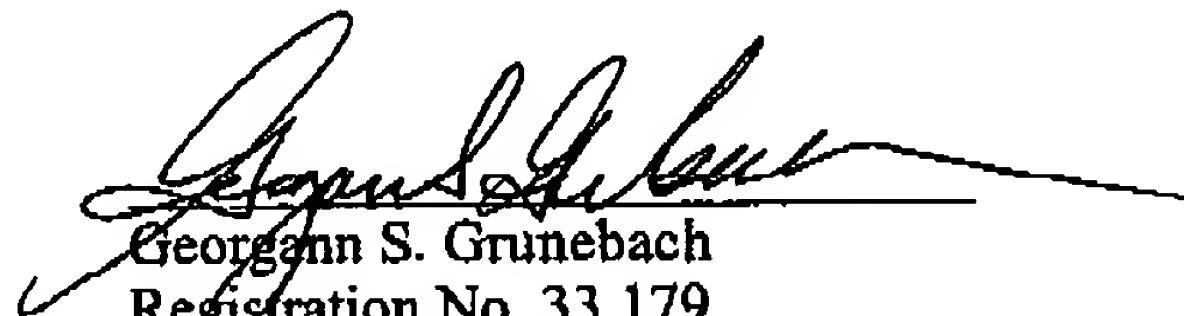
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This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

The fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is \$500.00. Applicants respectfully petition for a three month extension of time to respond from October 21, 2005 to January 21, 2006. The fee for a three month extension of time is \$1,020.00. Please note that January 21, 2006 falls on a Saturday; therefore, Applicants are responding in a timely manner on January 23, 2006 with a certification of facsimile transmission.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$1,520.00, and any additional fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. This request is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



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